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#### RESPONSE AND AMENDMENT UNDER 37 CFR 1.116

Dear Sir:

This is in response to the Final Office Action mailed November 04, 2005. No new matter is proposed as proper support for the amendments appears at least at page 7, line 1 of the originally filed Specification. The present amendment seeks only to clarify the claimed "modifying" feature that Applicants believe should only serve to clarify the inapplicability of the cited art, such that no new issues are raised that would require further consideration or searching. Entry of the amendment is requested as follows.

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 10 of this paper.